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### WHAT'S GOING ON IN THE WORLD OF THEATRES AND AMUSEMENT

LYRIC

Large crowds are attending the Lyric this week to witness the Poli Players in their splendid interpretation of the Irvin Cobb stories, "Back Home," as published in the Saturday evening Post. The play carries with it a direct appeal to the lovers of the things rural, and a beautiful love story is entwined throughout the

Next week the management will another modern melodrama by Carl Mason. The story of the play

abert Bevington was tricked into marirage when a boy and after-ards deserted by his wife when she found him disinherited by his father. evington learns that she has been killed in a train wreck. He goes to York, changes his name and rises high in his profession as an at-He marries again and has a

After 18 years of happy married life the first wife, whom he has believed to be dead, turns up and demands that she be given her place as his legal wife. His daughter unconsciously suggests to him a solution in the plot of a play in which a woman killed the man who threatened to reveal her past to her husband.

Acting on the impulse of the mont Bevington takes his revolver and leaves the house to meet "The Other Wife." Two shots are heard, Bevington believes that he has killed the woman.

### POLIS

Maxine Elliott, noted American beauty, after retirement from the se, and charitable work which has kept her behind the fighting lines in nce, has been prevailed upon to urn to the drama and make her debut on the screen. She will have premiere showing in Bridgeport afternoon and evening at the Poli theatre. In "narrative sculpture" as Miss Elliott has termed the art of motion picture making she excells in her tirst production, "Fighting Odds." This is a big theme of a wife's love and big business. Miss Elliott has en fully to the occasion, declaring that her own success is due to witing the suffering of others through warfare. Written by Roi Cooper Megrue and Irving Cobb, there is throughout heart interest and appeal to both sexes. There are six superb and beautifully photographed

On the vaudeville program which fering are attractions extraordinary, proaching uncanniness This is eviheaded by Crossmann's entertainers, a cast of seven exceptional performers in a mirthsome, snappy, vocal, instrumental and terpsichorean ensem-

The Millette sisters in their rhapsodical diversion of clever song, im-personation and costume change will book by Mary S. Watts, from which "During t

mers & Morse will loosen their rapid-fire guns of wit, wisdom and ense for Bridgeport audiences, offering the cleverest of all duo acts. Others to bring joy into a carnival of amusement are the Four enternets, a novelty quartet; Greenlee & Williams, furious exponents of fasand fantastic steps, and the se of animated news which ars the two continents for the latest and most sensational happenings. They always have the latest phases of military, naval and overseas fight-

### **EMPIRE**

BOB WHITE" LITERALLY

"BUTTS IN"-TO PICTUREDOM Pills within the camera's range by nt and "registers" so well that they won't let him out.

"Lost in Transit, George Beban's latest Paramount picture in new combination. which he is appearing at the Empire theater, a new actor, aged two and and flaring.

a balf, and familiarly known as "Bob Scarf collars and sashes are new White," makes his screen debut in an ideas for blouses. important role, although he has worked a few scenes in two other than jersey cloth. pictures, the first of which was more or less of an accident.

George Beban was working in "A Roadside Impresario" in which, it will be remembered he danced with a and they all seemed to be having such with fun to be left out.

He skipped and danced right in wrinkling. er the camerman's astonished nose

been in one scene, they had to let the fur and replace the lining. him in for the odthers and he enloyed it so much, and made such a hit that he was again used in Mr. Beban's next picture, "The Cook of

Kathlyn Williams, who is a well known screen star as well as an authoress and who had seen the youngster's performances from the 'aide lines' in the studio, wrote "Lost in Transit" with "Bob White"

and George Beban in mind. self, and it would be difficult to

### PLAZA

The Five Novelty Girls have a version of song and dance to offer at the Plaza theatre for the latter half of the week commencing with today's matinee. It will occupy the headline position on the bill and will be supported by Al Newell and Elsa Most in variety's latest triumph in double teams; Corbett, Shepperd and Dunn in a singing offering that is flavored and smeared with laughable humor and The Great Johnsons, the famous aerial contortionist.

Earle Williams in "The Grell Mysery" is the main screen attraction. Earle Williams has starred in many roles but never to greater advantage than as the detective in "The Grell Mystery" which is, in reality a thrillng detective story although devoid of the cheap plots of the average melodramatic venture.

The comedy film is "Won by a Foul" a two reel Keystoneo omedy.

### HIPPODROME

The Hippodrome theatre, "The Pride of the East Side," Stratford avenue, corner Wilmot and Carroll it is considerable of an honor. avenues, is now running full blast.

Manager Saperstein is presenting programs of the sort that appeal and entertain the most fastidious screen enthuslasts.

'What screen-goers want we give them and just a little bit better added to others best is our best," that is the motto of the Hippodrome management and what is more they are proving this to be a fact. Ask anyone who has viewed the programs offered and they will agree to this asser-

Take for example the program offered today: the featured attraction is William Desmond the versatile, popular Triangle star supported by an all star cast in the drama of thrills and high excitement, "Timelocks and Diamonds." During the action of this Triangle play a story that grips and holds the attention from start to finish is unfolded in a manner ideally and perfectly. During the past month fitting the Triangle high standard of screen productions. The rest of the has taken the affairs of the club in charge, there has not only not been comedy subjects that all fans will surely enjoy.

### WEST END.

The remarkable skill attained by emanies this fortunate screen of great moving picture directors is apdenced in "The Rise of Jennie Cushing," with Elsie Ferguson in the title role, produced by Maurice Tourneur, the noted French director, which will be shown at the West End theatre today, tomorrow, matinee and of style ta that it is a difficult role, but it is ad-A noteworthy feature is the ability to the use of numerous written titles, in which are Mr. Tourneur is conceded to have no superior. "Are Waitresses Safe?" a screaming Mack Sennett comedy, will also be shown.

### Fads and Fashions

The very small hat appears to be Narrow skirts and fitted jackets are

Lavender is in high favor at pres

ent for lingerie. Evening gowns have little puffed

sleeves of tulle. velveteen skirts. Curling feathers top the high

crowned turbans. American Beauty and purple is a

Black velvet hats are always large

Tweed is even a greater favorite

### WHITE FURS' CARE

White fur may be thoroughly cleansed, by rubbing it with equal ed bear to amuse a crowd of parts of calcined magnesia and dry "Bob White" was watch-ban and the bear danging cleaned with hot salt and chinchilla ing Mr. Beban and the bear dancing. cleaned with not sait and clinical fur with talcum powder, well rubbed a very good time that i tseemed a White and gray angora and tibet may shame for a little chap just running be washed in warm, soapy water, but the skin must be carefully stretched "Bob White" joyously cavorted during the drying process to prevent

All linings should be removed be and before that gentleman or anyone fore fur is placed in water. When else had time to say Jack Robinson- cleaning light colored furs, remove or "Bob White." he and Mr. Beban the wadding and lining, place the fur flat on a table and fasten one end securely. Then heat some bran and and one of the prettiest, most sponta- straight movement against the way of neous scenes of filmdom was register- the hair. When the bran will absorb hearing an address by Angus Thorne,

### SAVING TABLE LINEN

An inch off one side of a large tablecloth matters very little when the cloth is spread on the table and the pattern in the damask need not be pulled to one side, since the slight discrepancy or length in the part of the cloth that hangs over the edge will But that inch never be noticed. makes all the difference in the world in the life of the cloth. Before the They worked through the entire threads begin to wear thin, as they production together, "Bob" appearing always do in time where a tablecioth in nearly as many scenes as the star is folded and creased in the ironing, out off an inch at one side and at one decide which, of the two enjoyed the end, and rehem the cloth. The launproceeding more. To "Bob White" it dress, who always folds a cloth evenjust one long game which he ly, edge to edge, will now make an played one of the strictest rules of entirely new series of folds and which was not to look at the "tar creases with her iron and the tableas he called the grinding ma- cloth will last just that much long-

# MADE MEMBERS OF EXCLUSIVE SCHOOL CLUB

at Brooklawn Country Club

### QUEEN'S DAUGHTERS **BRIDGE SATURDAY**

Round Table Gathering to Hear Supt. Thorn Speak

Friends of Miss Doris Wheeler, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. Fairchild Wheeler, and Miss Eleanor Bartram will be delighted to hear that they were two of the three girls selected this year to become members of the most exclusive society at Rosemary Hall, the "Kindly Club." They are the only Bridgeport girls who ever have achieved membership in this club which was founded by Madame Ruutz-Rees, mother of the present head of the school, and so they feel membership of the club is limited to twelve members and one of its precepts is that its members must never willingly do an unkindly act nor speak unkindly, and they pledge themselves to abstain from repeating malicious gossip. Once a year the members are the guests of Madame Ruutz-Rees in New York city.

For the moving pictures at the Brooklawn Country club on Saturday evening at 8:30 o'clock, following the dinner at 7, Marguerite Clark has been secured. She will be shown in "The Valentine Girl." So popular have these moving picture programs become that last Saturday night there were 150 out for the dinner and the movies, and it has been decided to put in a permanent booth for the projection of the pictures. Two machines have been secured so that the pictures will be shown more smoothly since a business like administration a deficit but money has been added to the fund in the treasury and the members are really getting more for

Appended is a letter that will give an insight into conditions in France as regards the work of the Society of the Fatherless Children of France. It was written by two women who have been in France, so the information comes to us first hand. All preparations are now completed for the Tag Day on Saturday. The let-

"During the last three months we dedolly the Dollys. The act is a the play is adapted, will appreciate have been devoting our time to the work in which unusual voice and dancing has mirably handled by the famous star. homes that have received help from kind friends in America. In practicalconvey to the audience what the ly all of these we found that, apart characters are thinking about without from the natural pleasure in receiving help during the trying time through which this courageous land is passing, there is an almost passionate happiness in receiving letters from the 'American godparent across the seas.'

"In all these families, your heart would be touched by the struggle to keep the home as it was before the war claimed 'le cher papa.' The

"About 50,000 little children of have on our books.

be present to send a word of thanks went on the market. and friendship from France to all many, many thousands more little orphans have found a friend in an American heart and home,

> "F M. SCHOFITLD, "Ellinor Fell."

Tomorrow evening at 8 c'clock in the office of the Catholic Charitable Bureau at 542 Fairfield avenue, the Round Table Gathering of the Bureau

the rooms will be open from 10 to 5 decay. o'clock. There will be plain and fancy knitting and other craft work and Mrs. T. I. Ferguson is the chairmembers are urged to be present. On Saturday morning the Nature Study Class are to go to Seaside park to study the water birds. Prof. Saunders will accompany the members who will meet at the foot of Main street at 10 o'clock providing the day is clear.

Last evening at the rectory of the Sacred Heart church at 6:30 o'clock Miss Adaline Mahoney, daughter o Daniel Mahoney of 232 Warren stree was united in marriage to Sigfried ! Brink of the U. S. N., whose home in New Britain. Mr. and Mrs. Brink

left immediately after the ceremony Navy Felt Hat For for a wedding trip to Atlantic City, N. J., Philadelphia, Pa., and Washington, D. C.

On Saturday afternoon and evening, Mrs. William Chew will open her attractive home on Fairfield avenue for a bridge for the benefit of the Queen's Daughters. Assisting Mrs. Chew will be Mrs. Francis Sanford, president of the Queen's Daughters, The Five Novelty Girls have a snappy, odd and happily different diversion of song and dance to offer at the snappy of snappy. Country of snappy of first appeal that the Queen's Daughters has made to the public for funds in almost three years. The society provides for the work of the little French sisters who work among the sick poor of the city. Their work is non sectarian, without regard to creed. In October, twelve of the Little Sisters went to France and are

### **PERSONALS**

now working on the French battle

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth McNell have purchased the Percy Bartram home in Black Rock, "The Anchorage," and are to occupy it within a short time.

Clinton Barnum Seeley, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Barnum Seelev. will give one of the many dances for the members of the younger set during the Christmas holidays on December 27.

Mr. and Mrs. D. Fairchild Wheeler, Christmas recess and will have as her guest, Miss Dorothy Kidd.

Another dance will be given during the week between Christmas and New Years is that of Miss Caroline Brown, daughter of Mr and Mrs. Harold Brown of Stratford.

Lieutenant Robert J. Sniderwind left today for Leon Springs, Texas. Lieutenant Sniderwind was commis sioned in the Second Officers' Train ing Camp in Plattsburg, N. Y.

Miss Margaret Beach, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Y. Beach of Stratford, is to be the hostess at a New Year's dance which will be given for her by her grandparents.

Mrs. James I. Brereton of North avenue, will have as her guest for the winter months, her mother, Mrs. Fanny Arnold of Deep River. Mrs. Harry Swan has returned to

her home in this city after spending some time with her grandfather, William Ayer, at his home in Clinton.

Mrs. Andrew L. Riker has returned to her home in Fairfield after staying for a while at the home of Lieutenant and Mrs. Bertram Ainsworth, at their home in Cleveland, O. Mrs. Ains-Mrs. Ainsworth was Miss Edith Riker.

# OF U.S. MAKE NOW GOOD

One of the many indirect results of pride of the people is wonderful and the war that have affected the dress situation for women is the fact that be the sufferings ahead. But we ask be the sufferings ahead. But we ask you to remember that this is the "fabric gloves." Before the war Gerfourth year that French pollu has had man manufacturers alone seemed to to bear the horrors of the trenches in have the knack of making these incold and wet, and that this year, you, too, are in the war. Nevertheless it is still the poilu who must pay the German supply was about giving out, Plaid woolen coats are worn with price for us all. It is their little ones for whom we plead this Christ-fond of this kind of glove. The high cost of kid gloves was responsible.

Likewise responsible was the fact France have American 'godparents' that women were getting to insist on through the Fatherless Children of gloves that would wash. They seemed France, but it might be possible if more cleanly. There were obvious our committees made a special effort drawbacks to doeskin and chamois for Christmas, to bring this happi- gloves to the woman with a limited ness to the 150,000 whose names we dress allowance, for those that were of good enough quality to stand many "There is to be a meeting, at the washings were too expensive. Wash-Sorbonne in Paris on Christmas Eve able kid gloves had not proved entireat which Marechal Joffre, M. Pain- ly satisfactory, although they were leve, M. Leon Bourgois and others will hailed with delight when they first

In some measure heavy silk gloves Committees of the Fatherless Children of France in the States of America. Would it not be wonderful if on your side you could cable them that gloves. For wear with a muff a slik glove is adequate no doubt, but not so for winter wear without a muff. What the American woman of moderate income-or the woman who for the period of the war was determined to ial for her bridesmaids' gowns and keep her dress allowance at a minicalls upon them to help her decide mum-really wanted was a good qual-

### CLEANING OILCLOTH

So the camerman kept on grinding rub it into the fur, working with a will have its regular meeting. The with a stiff brush or mop or be sat- tess in a few words, and then forget it. members are to have the pleasure of urated with water. Nor should sal For instance, if you drop a bit of soda or any other strong washing jelly on the tablecloth pay no atter ed forever on the long strip of cellucid. As long as "Bob White" had the garment vigorously, then comb if it becomes soaked with water con- say: At the Bridgeport Art League to- taining soap suds or washing com- so awkward, Mrs. morrow it will be Red Cross day and pounds, it will crumble and quickly In such a case, if a maid does no

water containing skimmed milk, is the purpose, in order to prevent its dripbest with which to clean oilcloth, A ping and soiling your neighbor's man in charge of this work. New very little hard white or yellow soap clothes. You should then be provided may be used if absolutely necessary, with a clean napkin. although offcloth should not be allowed to become so dirty that soap will a lady who is a stranger to you, and be needed.

leaves no lint and is not hard enough troduction by saying: "Are you Mrs to scratch the offc'oth or loosen the Smith? I am Mrs. Brown." paint. After removing the dirt, go ver the entire surface with the hough to pick up all the lint and ford pieces of the horns, hoof and

HOLLY-XMAS TREES WREATHS JOHN RECK & SON

se dirt on the cloth.

Young Schoolgirl

This neat and practical hat for the oung schoolgirl is of felt, ornamented with a simple band of grosgrain

### SOCIETY WOMEN LEARN TO LEAD HAPPIER LIVES

Winter is traditionally the time for society frivolities. From now until Miss Doris Wheeler, daughter of Lent begins, the Smart Sets are running on a novertime schedule. There return from Rosemary Hall, are some people who couldn't be hap-Hall, Greenwich, next week for the py unless they are playing the game to nervous exhaustion.

Women seem to take to this life more than men. The latter come some tired from their day's work and looking for quiet evenings at home or in informal play in their clubs. But they are apt to find social programs laid out for them. They must perform the regulation society stunts or they are out of the world. So they drag along behind their eager wives and daughters.

It is natural enough that women are dulled by home quiet and they society gives.

thing, is terribly empty. They are parasites on the life of society, drawing their subsistence from the labor of others, yet contributing nothing. They have learned that their lives will be infinitely happier if they engage in some useful charity or other effort. The war has opened a wide range of

The great majority of people are a small feather on a big hat, simple hearted, and their social fricolities are rare. They look with won. der on the pleasure that some people get out of high life, with its nervous strain and absence of substantial real-A life in which party giving and party going is the principal occupation serms to them, both tiresome and u. speakably empty. The

# FRIDAY'S

world has no use for it any longer.

10 o'clock—English Literary club, Mrs. W. R. Hopson, hostess; Christmas Book Review, Mrs

2 to 5 o'clock-St. Augustine's Branch of the Red Cross at St. Augustine's school.

4 o'clock-Authors' Club. 8 o'clock-Round Table Gathering of Catholic Charitable Bureau at office, 542 Fairfield avenue, Superintendent Angus Thorne of the Department of Public Charities,

8:15 o'clock-Piano and Violin recital at United Church, Bruce T. Simonds and William Porter, art-

# **GTIQUETTE**

The bride usually selects the materhow they are to be made.

Marianna-When you have an accident at table, ignore it if possible; but if it is so conspicuous and disastrous as to be noticed by everyone Oilcloth should never be scrubbed present, you may apologize to the hos-"I am very sorry to have been

come at once to wipe up the liquid, A large sponge soaked in lukewarm you must use your napkin for this

Mrs. T .- When you go to call upon if she opens the door to your ring, A sponge would be excellent as it you may accomplish the necessary in-

Meat prices have increased 87 per ponge again. Have the sponge cent. over two years ago, but the orwrung out in clear water and dry dinary customer can occasionally af-

tail.

HOLLY-XMAS TREES WREATHS JOHN RECK & SON

# Reliable Recipes

Two medium size potatoes mashed with 1 tablespoon of butter, 1-2 cup of milk, 1 egg or 2 eggs (I use 1 egg), 2 teaspoons of baking powder, 2 cups of flour, 1-4 teaspoon of ginger and nutmeg, little salt, strain potatoes, mix all together and use 1 cup more of flour on board to make not too stiff. I don't use all of the last cup of flour. These are delicious and keep moist a long while if you can keep them, I can't.

#### APPLE PUDDING

One layer of wheat bread sliced thin, 1 layer of sliced apples, put on another layer of bread and apple, and so on, alternately, until the dish is full. Flavor with lemon. Pour over all 2 teaspoons of water, cover and bake 1-2 hour. To be eaten with maple syrup. BAKED MEAT ROLLS

Take two pounds of fresh lean pork, chop fine as sausage, place in a dish and season with salt, pepper and a little sage. Sprinkle a tablespoon of flour over the meat, and one cup of cold water and stir well. Mix dough as for soda or baking powder biscuit. Roll 1-2 an inch thick, cut a large circle and put a spoonful of the meat in. These are nice, either hot or cold, for luncheons or picnics.

### LAMB FLANK ROASTS

Buy two pieces of lamb flank, which will weigh about 3 pounds. Make bread dressing as for chicken. Place 4 or 5 pieces of twine on the table and lay a piece of flank on the twine, spread the dressing over the meat and place the other piece on top, then tie each piece of twine around the whole to keep them together and hold in shape. Put in the roasting pan, salt and dredge with flour. Bake two hours. This makes a very pretty and delicious roast, large enough for six people, and also excellent cold.

### CURRIED VEGETABLES

Cook 1 cupful each of potatoes and carrots, and 1-2 cup of turnips cut into fancy shapes, in boiling salted water till tender, add 1-2 cupful canned peas, and pour over a sauce made by cooking 2 slices of onion in 2 table-spoons of flour, 1-2 teaspoon of curry powder, 3-4 teaspoon salt, 1-2 teaspoon of pepper, a few grains of celery salt and 1 cupful of scalded milk. Sprinkle with chopped parsley.

#### JELLIED SALMON SALAD

Take a pint of canned salmon, drain and remove the skin and bones. Mince fine, add a tablespoon of lemon juice, a dash of red pepper, a teaspoon of minced parsley and salt to taste. Mix together and bind with your favorite salad dressing and a tablespoon of powdered gelatine dissolved in a quarter of a cup of water. Fill small molds and set them on ice to chill quickly. Turn out on crisp lettuce leaves. Garnish with olives and serve

# From Fashion Shops

A handsome design for an evening wrap is of blue chiffon velvet in a rich turquoise shade. It has a round shoulder yoke, into which the material is gathered, to hang in straight soft folds. There is a throw sash of the maof wealth and leisure should be fond terial, finished with two heavy blue and silver tassels. The collars, cuffs of this life. Without much useful oc- and six-inch band around the bottom are of possum, whose delicate gray is cupation to fill their time, their minds particularly effective in combination with the turquoise blue. Rose panne velvet is used for a wrap whose fullness is gathered at the bottom into a crave the contact with the world that six-inch band of flying squirrel fur. The top is laid in a few flat tucks. The loose and rather indeterminate sleeves are finished with a fur edge, and But it is fortunately dawning on there is a large collar of fur. One very delicate evening wrap is of pale many society women, that a life in gray satin. It has a collar and cuffs and six inch bottom band of moleskin which social pleasure is the main This is an unobstructive model, but possesses an air of distinction.

New York girls are wearing higher boots than ever, especially those of tan calf, on the sport order, but not heavy. In gaiters there are new high-very high-ones, which have a narrow piping of white kid. This is at the top, which is curved, so it is much higher at the back. The price rises with the height of the gaiters.

At a recent exhibit of Paris millin ery it was interesting to note that activity to such people. Their bene- there were few medium sized hats. The models were either small and close ficence has supplied vast quantities of fitting or very large and picturesque, the more formal hats being trimmed clothing, surgical supplies, and other with ostrich, while many of the small ones were of fur. Feathers are apmaterial to the suffering soldiers in plied in clusters against high crowns in group effect rather than in masses or in encircling style, and there is all the chic in the world in the poise of

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ble-breasted effect, built up of dark green serge trimmed with buttons.

Dark green is exceedingly fashionble for separate coats this season, sharing favor with dark blue. The

Deep cuffs finish the two-piece sleeves of the coat and there are patch pockets at either side of the front, with points turned over. Large buttons trim the points, also the belt and cuffs. In selecting serge for a coat, be sure to get the quality that clings to the figure, for although coats are not

stinted in the matter of fulness, noth-

double breasted coat pictured today

is built up of dark green serge and trimmed with a large collar of self-material that is closed high at the

neck and may be draped, if desired,

The side fronts and upper back sec-tions are tucked around the waist to

form a bolero effect. The lower back

section and side extensions on front are gathered. If desired, the straight

belt may be omitted. In medium size

the coat requires 3% yards 54-inch

By following the cutting guide

waste of material and errors will be

avoided. Take the lower back section and place the pattern on the

lengthwise fold of material. Opposite

the back place the pocket, with large

thread. The back and collar are laid

to the right of the back, and with

the triple "TTT" perforations on the lengthwise fold to make them seam-

less. In the space opposite the side

front and underfacing place the cuff

and sleeve sections, with large

"O" perforations on a lengthwise

thread, and, last of all, lay the front

and panel into position, with large

thread of material.

perforations on a lengthwise

perforations on a lengthwise

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